



In re

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66049

KONUMA, Hiroshi, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/963,331

Group Art Unit: 1751

Confirmation No.: 9823

Examiner: Derrick G. Hamlin

Filed: September 26, 2001

For: SOLID ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITOR AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2003, Applicants elect Group I (claims 8-11) without traverse for further prosecution on the merits. In addition, Applicants expressly reserve the right to request that the Examiner rejoin method claims specifically related to any allowable product claim.

Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss this application, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below. Please charge any fees necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, except for the Issue Fee, to our Deposit Account No.: 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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